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Serial No.:	09/577,897	Examiner:	R. Shukla
Filed:	May 24, 2000	Customer No.:	21559
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on March 14, 2003, be extended for three months, to and including September 15, 2003, since September 14 falls on a Sunday.

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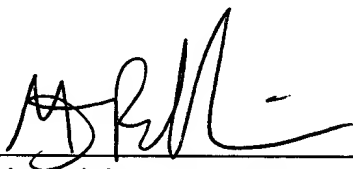
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